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Georgia Southern University will provide OSHA training in June

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Georgia Southern University is providing industrial managers and safety personnel with an opportunity to learn the pro-active steps necessary to be in compliance with national safety regulations and statutes.

'OSHA Approved Training" is a 32-hour short course that will be offered at the Coastal Georgia Center in Savannah from Tuesday, June 3, through Friday, June 6.

The course will provide an in-depth review of General Industry Standard 1910, which covers safety and health regulations for most workplaces and industries.

Led by James Shelburn, an approved Occupational Safety and Health Administration instructor, participants will learn how to use the 1910 standards through a series of practical exercises. Topics will include machine guarding, personal protective equipment, emergency exit routes, hazard identification and abatement, and recordkeeping requirements.

The course materials will include a current copy of the 29 CFR 1910 regulations and a list of changes to OSHA regulations.

Upon completion of the course, each participant will receive a Quality Safety Services Inc. Certificate of Completion and a laminated training certificate from the OSHA Institute, U.S. Department of Labor.

The fee for the course is \$995 per person, which includes a continental breakfast and lunch on all four days.

To register for the OSHA course or obtain more information, visit <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted/OSHATraining.html> or call (912) 681-5551.

For information on any of the professional development programs at Georgia Southern, contact J. Marie Lutz at seminars@georgiasouthern.edu or (912) 871-1763.

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Georgia Southern University students earn President's Volunteer Service Award

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Forty-seven students at Georgia Southern University have been selected to receive the President's Volunteer Service Award.

A national program created by President George W. Bush, the Volunteer Service Award recognizes the valuable contributions that volunteers make to the nation through various types of community service.

Georgia Southern students who track their volunteer hours through the University's Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement are eligible for the President's Volunteer Service Award. Students who accumulate at least 100 hours of service receive the award.

The following Georgia Southern students earned the President's Volunteer Service Award by logging at least 100 hours of service between Feb. 1, 2007, and Jan. 31, 2008:

- Erica Benjamin, a senior pre-middle grades education major from Savannah, Ga.
- Davina Brown, a senior international studies major from Hinesville, Ga.
- Katie Burkett, a graduate student in public health from Marietta, Ga.
- YaQuisha Carter, a senior health science major from Decatur, Ga.
- Byron Daniel, a junior information technology major from Duluth, Ga.
- James Davidson, a junior general studies major from Cumming, Ga.
- DeAniss Dean, a senior mathematics education major from Macon, Ga.
- Kimberly Dickerson, a junior chemistry major from Lawrenceville, Ga.
- Lauren Everett, a senior psychology major from Hoscton, Ga.
- Lisa Gregory, a senior biology major from Warner Robins, Ga.
- Koreen Hall, a senior nursing major from Marietta, Ga.
- Laura Hall, a senior pre-early childhood education major from Marietta, Ga.
- Heidi Hammack, a senior English major from Claxton, Ga.
- Sara Harness, a junior exercise science major from Richmond Hill, Ga.
- Candace Hart, a junior biology major from Pavo, Ga.
- Kristina Hess, a sophomore English major from Marietta, Ga.
- Angela Kamson, a senior marketing/sales and sales management major from Powder Springs, Ga.
- Elizabeth Leathers, a senior sports management major from Covington, Ga.
- Ashley London, a sophomore public relations major from Decatur, Ga.
- Jesse Loughman, a freshman anthropology major from East Ellijay, Ga.
- Kristin Marzec, a junior psychology major from Topeka, Kan.
- Katherine McDill, a junior pre-nursing major from St. Marys, Ga.
- Lyndsay McMillan, a senior nutrition and food sciences (dietetics) major from Statesboro, Ga.

- Erin Melton, a senior nursing major from Leesburg, Ga.
- Jessica Mitchell, a junior psychology major from Stockbridge, Ga.
- Robert Morgan, a senior chemistry major from Blackshear, Ga.
- John Morris, a sophomore pre-business major from Lawrenceville, Ga.
- Padestes Mutts, a senior nursing major from Pooler, Ga.
- Joseph Newton, a senior Spanish major from Americus, Ga.
- Karen Nowling, a sophomore pre-nursing major from Evans, Ga.
- Jairo Nunez, a freshman political science/pre-law major from Lawrenceville, Ga.
- Jennifer Odom, a senior English major from Bonaire, Ga.
- Sade Oshinubi, a junior journalism major from Auburn, Ga.
- Evan Patrick, a sophomore pre-business major from Statesboro, Ga.
- Erin Rice, a senior psychology major from Richmond Hill, Ga.
- Anthony Setari, a junior writing and linguistics major from Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
- Zipporah Simon, a junior community health major from Forest Park, Ga.
- Jessica Spaleta, a freshman pre-exercise science major from Charlotte, N.C.
- Jennifer Stevens, a senior exercise science major from Garden City, Ga.
- Danielle Stewart, a junior marketing major from Suwanee, Ga.
- Deborah Swofford, a junior philosophy major from Smyrna, Ga.
- Joseph Tripp, a senior biology major from Cochran, Ga.
- Cory Trottie, a junior information technology major from Hephzibah, Ga.
- Daniel Vinson, a sophomore information systems major from Powder Springs, Ga.
- Erin White, a senior exercise science major from Richmond Hill, Ga.
- Alicia White, a sophomore pre-early childhood education major from Pelham, Ga.
- Toni Lynn Wooten, a senior biology major from Boston, Ga.

The students will be presented with the President's Volunteer Service Award at Georgia Southern's annual Volunteer Recognition Banquet on Thursday, April 17.

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Georgia Southern University students participate in National Collegiate Sales Competition and Career Fair

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Fourteen students from Georgia Southern University traveled to Atlanta recently to take part in the 2008 National Collegiate Sales Competition (NCSC) and Career Fair. Each student was interviewed one or more times, and several graduating seniors have already accepted job offers.

'At one point I looked over to see one of our students with a line of recruiters waiting to interview him," said Linda Mullen, assistant professor of marketing and an expert in professional sales in the College of Business Administration. 'Every year Georgia Southern students participating in this event have the opportunity to walk away with career options, and some receive job offers at the conference."

Georgia Southern students Cody Ray and Adam Allen represented the institution in the competition, a 20-minute event that includes intensive role-playing. The competition attracted students from Canada, Mexico and across the U.S., and many major fields are represented.

'Sales are important to any career path students may choose," said Mullen.

Other students attending were Chris Collins, Kandice Chapman, Jay Horton, Jessica Kinder, Kimberly Shepherd, John Barnwell, Shalonda Parrish, Christa Stephenson, Jim Cowart, Breanna Rotell, Lauren Fountain, and Georgia Sewell. In addition to marketing, management, and finance majors, the group included students majoring in nutrition, Spanish, and general studies.

'The ability to talk to so many Fortune 500 execs was really exciting and also really scary," said Chapman. 'This opportunity gave me the confidence I needed, not just for interviewing, but for interacting with anyone in the business world."

'The sales competition was very intense, but one of my most life-changing experiences," said Allen. 'The competition was definitely a positive experience. The participating recruiters weren't just there to interview us; they were there to hire us."

Penn State economist will lecture on April 18

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A nationally known economics professor from Pennsylvania State University will give a lecture at Georgia Southern University on Friday, April 18.

G. Dirk Mateer will discuss 'Bridging the Gap Between Instructors and Students: Bringing Popular Culture into the Classroom."

Free and open to the public, the lecture will be held at 11 a.m. in the College of Information Technology Auditorium (Room 1004).

Mateer is a senior lecturer and the co-director of Undergraduate Studies in Economics at Penn State. He has developed new ways of engaging students by using popular film to teach economic concepts.

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